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Atty Docket No. 122802-3



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 10/797,422  
Applicant : ACKERMAN, ET AL.  
Filed : MARCH 10, 2004  
Title : THERMAL BARRIER COATING PROTECTED BY INFILTRATED  
ALUMINA AND METHOD FOR PREPARING SAME

Art Unit : 1762  
Examiner : TUROCY, DAVID F.

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.115)**

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.115, Applicants respectfully request that: (1) the above application concurrently filed herewith be amended as indicated below; (2) these amendments be considered before calculating the filing fee for the above application; (3) action on the merits be taken with allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in the above application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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